a proposal has been under consideration for quite some time; if so, since when;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether these systems would make the US super-computer redundant ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT ATOMIC ENERGY ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN) : (a) and (b) Government is setting up a Centre for Development of Advanced Computing Technology (C-DACT) in Pune for developing advanced computers based on parallel processing architecture which will also have automatic programming environment as well as artificial intelligence capability.

(c) The systems which would be developed would not make the US super-computer redundant, but, provide the country with the capability to design, develop and manufacture advanced computers with the same computational power as that of the present day lower and medium range super-computers available in USA.

Change in the post of Joint Director in the Directorate of Standardisation

1290. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that one technical Joint Director's post has been changed to Joint Director (Admn.) and Administrative Wing has been created in Directorate of STD (Standardisation) without permission of the Ministry of Defence;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the civilian Joint Director, posted by CAO's office based on actual Government sanction, is denied to work in the Directorate due to the whims of the Directorate of Standardisation: if so, what are the reasons thereof;

(c) what is the number of posts of Joint Directors and at what level these are sanctioned to Army HQrs., Directorate of STD and Standardisation Cells; and

(d) if the answer to parts (a) and (b) above be in the affirmative, what remedial action is being taken with regard to the Directorate of Standardisation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL) : (a) to (d) In the Directorate of Standardisation, there are three posts of Joint Directors (in the rank of Colonel or equivalent), inclusive of one post of Joint Director authorised for the Defence Standardisation Cell, which is being presently operated at the Directorate of Standardisation HQrs. For reasons of administrative convenience one of the above Joint Directors also looks after the general administration functions of the Directorate. There has been no change of any post of Joint Director (Technical) to that of Joint Director (Administration) in this Directorate. Further, no separate administrative wing has been created in the Directorate of Standardisation.

There is one post of Senior Civilian Staff Officer (SCSO), in the Directorate of Standardisation, for which posting is done by CAO. This post is only equivalent to Lt. Col. and hence one rank below that of the Joint Directors in that Directorate. The duties assigned to this post cover general administrative functions under the supervision of one of the Joint Directors, as stated in para 1 above.

The previous incumbent had represented for transfer out of the Directorate to a post with lighter duties, on health grounds. He has been transferred on 9-11-87. It is not a fact that the officer was denied work due to the whims of the Dte.

The details of the number of posts of Joint Director and the levels at which these are sanctioned are as follows :—

(i) Army HQrs—31 (in the grade of Rs. 3750—5000).

(ii) Dte of Standardisation—2 (in the grade of Rs. 5500—6000).

(iii) Standardisation Cell—1 (in the grade of Rs. 5500—6000).